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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: SHU, YANG ET AL.

APPLICATION NO.: 10/604,380

FILED: JULY 15, 2003

FOR: **A NON-PLOWING METHOD FOR
ESTABLISHING VEGETATION AND A
NUTRIENT MATRIX THEREOF**

EXAMINER: VICTOR D. BATSON

ART UNIT: 3671

CONF. NO: 1379

Transmittal of Amendment

Mail Stop AF
 Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith are the following:

Amendment.

2. Entity Status:

Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27) has been previously established.

3. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time:

Applicants petition for an Extension of Time, if necessary, for timely of this transmittal and enclosures.

4. Fee Calculation and Payment:

For:	(Col. 1) No. Filed	(Col. 2) No. Extra	Small Entity		or	Other Than a Small Entity	
			Rate	Fee		Rate	Fee
Total Claims	12 - 20	0	x \$ 25 =	\$	or	x \$ 50 =	\$
Independent Claims	1 - 3	0	x \$100 =	\$	or	x \$200 =	\$
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5. Provisional Fee Authorization:

No fees are believed due by the Applicants. However, should the Commissioner determine that fees are due in order for this paper to be considered, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

Respectfully submitted,
Perkins Coie LLP

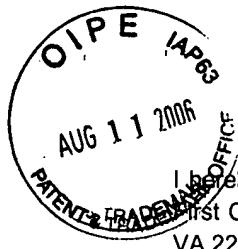


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The following is in response to the Office Action mailed 06/08/06.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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